

**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Henry J. Knott  
Application No.: 10/577,534  
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Title: FASTENER PRE-STRESSING JOINT  
Art Unit: 3679  
Examiner: Ernesto Garcia

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Attn: Mail Stop Amendment

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed June 23, 2008, please enter the following amendments:

**Amendments to the Claims** are on pages 2-3.

**Remarks** are found on pages 4-5.